

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-16 are pending, claims 1 and 7-16 are amended herein:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A closed circuit television (CCTV) system comprising:
2 a total number of available cameras for generating picture signals;
3 a multiplexer allotting identification information to each of the picture signals received from
4 the cameras, said identification information being represented by a predetermined number of proper
5 camera identification bits and a total number of camera identification auxiliary bits equal in number
6 to said predetermined number of proper camera identification bits, said predetermine number of
7 proper camera identification bits being defined in number so that a number of available
8 identifications is twice or more than the total number of available cameras, said proper camera
9 identification bits identifying which camera generated a corresponding picture signal; and
10 a picture signal storage medium for storing the picture signals and allotted identification
11 information output from the multiplexer.

1 2. (Original) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, wherein said multiplexer is a parallel
2 to serial multiplexer.

1 3. (Original) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, wherein the picture signal storage
2 medium comprises a single video tape in a single video tape recorder.

1 4. (Original) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, wherein the picture signal storage

medium comprises a single digital storage medium.

5. (Original) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a monitor for displaying picture signals reproduced by said picture signal storage medium;

and

a selection unit for enabling a user to select picture signals corresponding to a particular one of said cameras for display on said monitor by inputting the identification information corresponding to said particular one of said cameras.

6. (Original) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 5, further comprising:

a controller for storing said picture signals and said identification information in said picture signal storage medium, said controller being responsive to a selection signal generated by said selection unit for selecting the picture signals corresponding to said particular one of said cameras and stored in said picture signal storage medium and outputting the selected picture signals for display on said monitor.

7. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, wherein the logical values of said camera identification auxiliary bits are opposite to the logical values of said proper camera identification bits.

8. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 7, wherein the number of cameras is four and the identification information comprises two said proper camera identification

bits and two said camera identification auxiliary bits.

9. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 8, wherein said proper camera identification bits and said camera identification auxiliary bits are disposed in an alternating arrangement such that said camera identification auxiliary bits are the least significant and second most significant bits in said arrangement and said proper camera identification bits are the second least significant bits and the most significant bit in said arrangement.

10. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 7, wherein the number of cameras is eight and the identification information comprises three said proper camera identification bits and three said camera identification auxiliary bits.

11. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 10, wherein said proper camera identification bits and said camera identification auxiliary bits are disposed in an predetermined arrangement such that said camera identification auxiliary bits are the least significant bits in said arrangement and said proper camera identification bits are the most significant bit in said arrangement.

12. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 1, wherein the logical values of said camera identification auxiliary bits are identical to the logical values of said proper camera identification bits.

1 13. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 12, wherein the number
2 of cameras is four and the identification information comprises two said proper camera identification
3 bits and two said camera identification auxiliary bits.

1 14. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 13, wherein said proper
2 camera identification bits and said camera identification auxiliary bits are disposed in an alternating
3 arrangement such that said camera identification auxiliary bits are the least significant and second
4 most significant bits in said arrangement and said proper camera identification bits are the second
5 least significant bits and the most significant bit in said arrangement.

1 15. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 12, wherein the number
2 of cameras is eight and the identification information comprises three said proper camera
3 identification bits and three said camera identification auxiliary bits.

1 16. (Currently Amended) The CCTV system as set forth in claim 15, wherein said proper
2 camera identification bits and said camera identification auxiliary bits are disposed in an
3 predetermined arrangement such that said camera identification auxiliary bits are the least significant
4 bits in said arrangement and said proper camera identification bits are the most significant bit in said
5 arrangement.